

BIG SALT NEWS

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CURRENT TOPICS

A new post-office in Alabama is named

Honorable riding has become a craze in

Washington.

Jeff Davis' book on the war will be in-

cluded in the

French gray, blue and slate trousers

are now popular.

Managers Jacobs will run sixteen thou-

sand men in the

One thousand miners are on a strike at

Birmingham, Ala.

Lord Lansdale is still pushing on to-

wards the North Pole.

One wool-grower in San Diego shipped

60,000 pounds in one week.

In England the draft horse is never

driven faster than a walk.

Lord Randolph Churchill will soon

visit America with his wife.

Mexico desires to effect a reciprocity

treaty with the United States.

One of the horses used on a stage line

near Albany has a heavy mustache.

The Massachusetts liquor law allows

only one saloon to every 1,000 popula-

tion.

Secretary Hays is officially advised

of the disappearance of cholera in Valpa-

raiso.

General Sheridan is building a beauti-

ful and expensive summer home at Nan-

ucket.

The German Crown Prince has ordered

the military bands to play "Enter the

Parade."

William Brewster, of Baltimore, Md.,

will spend one year in prison for steal-

ing a Bible.

Boston is criticized because of a Boston

sign which reads: "Lawn Mowers Men-

dered in the Rear."

An experimenter has made a box of ice

with which he was able to light pipes by

means of the sun's rays.

A letter was mailed in Greenville, Ga.,

the other day directed to Zerkness, Ga.

It was sent to Xerxes, Ga.

An alligator was killed in the Ashley

river, N. C., which weighed 35 pounds and

was nine feet eight inches long.

Attempts have been made at St. Louis

and Chicago to introduce the use of guano

for food, but without success.

There will be 322 delegates in the Republi-

can National Convention, consequently 415

votes will be necessary to nominate.

The marriage of Prince Henry and

Princess Irene of Hesse, which was fixed

for this month, has been postponed until

July.

The Union Labor Convention at Sedalia,

Mo., nominated a State ticket, headed

by A. R. Mandring, of Maryville, for Gov-

ernor.

There are thirty-eight lawyers in Phila-

delphia who sell business to induce

people to bring libel suits against news-

papers.

The latest Arkansas sensation is a negro

body with two heads and faces, one arm

and three legs, upon which it stands triped

fashion.

A Tennessee boy has been discovered

who enjoys no food so well as alcohol.

He was found, which he consumes in large

quantities.

Oliver Reine, who lately died in Louisi-

ana, was considered the richest planter

there. His wealth was placed at some

\$15,000,000.

During this year Queen Victoria, John

Ruskin, General Rawson, Cyrus W.

Fiske and Julia Ward Howe will each be

A STRANGE DEATH.

The Sad Fate of Little Walter
Ruhrwein.

While Drinking at a Hydrant His Lungs
Became Filled With Water.

CINCINNATI, May 9.—Walter Ruhrwein,

two and a half years old, was playing

with some companions in a large open

court in the rear of his father's residence

on Wade street, when he and his com-

panions had been running about the yard

for several hours, and becoming overheat-

ed and thirsty he went to the hydrant for

a drink. The hydrant rests up against

the building, the faucet being about three

feet from the ground. Walter was just

about to reach the faucet and place

his mouth under it, when he turned the

water on there was a scream from his com-

panions, and a lady residing on the lower

floor looked out of her window only to

see the little fellow pinned to the hydrant

through some inexplicable power and un-

able to move. The blood rushed to his

head and burst forth from his ears and

the mother was attracted by the cry,

and, rushing down stairs, attempt-

ed to pull her child from the hydrant.

Death had already set its seal upon the lit-

tle fellow's hands, which were clasped

tightly around the faucet. His cheeks

were swollen, and the face had become

the child was released. Dr. Tomlinson was

sent for while the little fellow was being

carried upstairs, but death came before the

doctor. While lying on the bed blood and

water gushed from the little fellow's

mouth, showing that the arteries in his

stomach and lungs were ruptured. Just

what caused the child's death is a mys-

tery. It is known, however, that the

child's stomach and lungs became filled

with water and he actually died from

drowning. It is supposed that when he

turned the faucet the water filled his

mouth faster than he could swallow it

and it soon ran into and filled the

lungs. He was unable to turn it off. The

muscles of his face and body were ex-

panded by the heat from violent exercise,

and then contracted by the cold water. Pa-

ralysis ensued and the little fellow's mouth

became fastened to the faucet in such a

point that he had no power to release him-

self, while the stream of water continued

to pour down his throat. The child's face

discolored and fearfully swollen and the

body presents any thing but an inviting

specimen.

CONKLING'S WILL.

His Estate Disposed of in the Fewest Words

Possible.

UTICA, N. Y., May 9.—The will of Roscoe

Conkling was offered for probate before

Burrage Bliss to-day. The text of it is as

follows:

I, Roscoe Conkling, of Utica, N. Y., do

make, publish and declare my last will and

testament as follows:

I give, devise and bequeath to my wife,

Julia, and to her heirs and assigns forever

all my property and estate, which I now

possess, I name, devise and bequeath to

my said wife sole executrix of this

will. In testimony whereof I hereto sign

my name, this 21st day of June, A. D. 1887.

ROS COE CONKLING.

The will is signed by Ellis H. Roberts

and C. H. Hopkins.

Strangled by a Watch Chain.

WILMINGTON, Del., May 9.—Wm. Grinnell,

living in this county, has been in the habit

of getting drunk and beating his wife.

She warned him if he did so again she

would kill him. Yesterday he began

drinking and pounding her over her head

with a revolver. She fled, and he tried to

ride over her on horseback. She threw him

down and choked him to death with a watch

chain he wore around his neck. She is a

half-breed. He was a farmer, and kept a

saloon and post-office.

Passion for Buying Clothes.

CHICAGO, May 9.—Farmer Billings, the

young man after whom the city of Billings,

Mont., is named, died here yesterday.

He had been an invalid for some time.

During his illness Mr. Billings had a curi-

ous liking for buying clothes. He pur-

chased a number of suits which he has not

even put on, and it is said that he leaves

one of the largest wardrobes ever col-

lected by a man in this city. His father

was the first president of the Northern

Pacific Road and is a wealthy citizen of

New York.

Rescued a Moonshiner.

LEXINGTON, Va., May 9.—United States

Revenue officers arrested a moonshiner,

George Hale, at Rocky Mount, Franklin

county, yesterday, while peddling illicit

whisky from an ox-cart. While on the

way to jail, the guards were overpowered

by a crowd of 150 men and the prisoner

was released. The officers were threat-

ened if pursuit should be attempted, and

the rescued prisoner was carried to the

mountains amid wild shouts. No pursuit

was made.

Another Greek Church.

CHICAGO, May 9.—The Greek Catholics

of this city expect soon to have a church of

their own. It will be the third Greek

Catholic Church in the United States, there

being one in San Francisco and another in

New York.

Child Born in Slavery Illegitimate.

CHICAGO, May 9.—Judge Tuley has re-

ndered a preliminary decision in a contest

will case that is of considerable impor-

tance to all children born in slavery, and to

many of the descendants of such children.

He, in fact, pronounced such children

illegitimate, and holds that they can not

inherit property from the father. The

ground of the decision is that, slaves being

chattel, no legal marriage was possible,

any more than real estate can marry real

estate.

Governor Hill Vetoes High License.

ALBANY, N. Y., May 9.—Governor Hill

has vetoed the high license bill.

Army Worm in Kentucky.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., May 9.—The army

worm and cut worm are committing great

ravages among the clover, oats and vetch

in Southwestern Kentucky, and in

tables in the Ohio river. Tobacco

plants are also suffering from the same

cause.

Will Have to Serve Their Terms.

CHICAGO, May 9.—The Supreme Court of

Illinois has affirmed the decision of

the lower courts in the county

hoodlums' cases, and the defendants will

all have to serve their terms of sentence

in the State penitentiary.

A CATHEDRAL IN RUINS.

Natural Gas the Cause of Its Destruction

—Loss, \$250,000.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 10.—This morning

was a decidedly sensational and disastrous

one in Buffalo. A number of explosions of

natural gas occurred almost simultane-

ously, caused, as supposed, by an over-

pressure, and caused widespread excite-

ment besides destroying the finest church

in Buffalo and doing other damage. St.

Paul's Cathedral, the pride and glory of

Buffalo, is in ruins. At

9:20 o'clock flames were seen bursting

out of the fine, stained-glass windows of

the church, at the junction of Main and

Erle streets, and instantly most of the in-

terior was a mass of flames. An explosion

had occurred in the basement, the

flames being supplied with natural gas,

and the force was so great as to tear

off and blow out the heavy doors on the

Erle and Pearl street side. People ran

to see what was the matter, and a few

entered the vestibule of the church, only

to be driven out by the flames. An

alarm was at once turned in, to which

the fire department quickly responded, but

when they arrived nothing could be done

to save the interior of the stately edifice

as the flames were bursting from every

opening. Streams were quickly brought to

bear with but little effect and the fire in a

few minutes had reached the heavily

timbered roof. In half an hour from the

time of discovery the interior of the

noble church was completely destroyed.

The fire was undoubtedly caused by an

explosion of natural gas, as no smoke or

signs of fire were seen until after the

great doors had been blown into the street.

Rev. Dr. Brown retires from the rectory

ship next month to assume charge of St.

Thomas Church, New York. The church

was valued at about \$250,000. Insurance

on building \$25,000, and about \$5,000 on the

organ.

Very Few Like Him.

NEW YORK, May 10.—A Swedish im-

migrant, who has a wife and four children,

arrived at Castle Garden yesterday and as-

signed the money brokers by the amount

of his purse. He had nearly \$100-

000 in gold, which he carried in a large

bag. The family was destined for Minn-

sota, where they will settle down on a lit-

tle farm. It is very seldom that an im-

migrant comes with so much money, and

the Swede is considered one of the richest